

## Patuxent Science Meeting 2004 Poster Abstract

## The Atlantic Seaduck Project - DVD

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Over the last 3 years a large amount of digital video has been shot of seaduck research on Chesapeake Bay, on the Restigouche River in New Brunswick, Canada, and at USGS Patuxent Wildlife Research Center. An interactive DVD has been produced for the Atlantic Seaduck Project which highlights aerial surveys over Chesapeake Bay, seaduck capture techniques, Restigouche River work, eider egg collection in Maine, and captive seaduck colony work at Patuxent. All the video chapters are available on a DVD disc, complete with a menu system, commentary, and background music. This technique of documenting seaduck methodology using video material has proven to be a powerful tool for communicating research techniques, for both the scientific community and general public. All of the digital video techniques used are applicable to any research project, and have a number of applications and uses. The seaduck DVD disc will be made available to run from a laptop fitted with a DVD-player, or a standard DVD player and television. Research chapters may be individually viewed, or the entire disc may be viewed at once.